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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PARCEL SHELF MOUNTING FOR A PARCEL SHELF AND VEHICLE WITH  
SUCH A PARCEL SHELF AND/OR MOUNTING**

the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on 2 June 2006 as United States Application Serial No. 10/581,647 or PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(a)(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

## PRIORITY FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

DE 103 57 097.7      Germany      12/06/2003      Priority Claimed  
 (Number)      (Country)      (Day/month/year filed)      Yes [X] No [ ]

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

PCT/DE2004/002635      November 26, 2004      Pending  
 (Application Serial No.)      (Filing Date)      (Status)(patented,  
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, Wim Van Berkum, a citizen of Germany with a post office address Lecker Strasse 7, Ostercappeln, DE 49179, hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNOR" has invented a certain new and useful

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for which I have filed an applications for Letters Patent of the United States on 2 June 2006, Serial No. 10/581,647, and

WHEREAS, Wilhem Karmann GmbH a German corporation having a place of business at Karmannstrasse 1, 49084 Osnabrück, DE, hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNEE" is desirous of acquiring said invention and said application for Letters Patent,

WHEREAS, now and at the time the invention was made, said invention was subject to an obligation by ASSIGNOR to assign his (her) entire right, title and interest therein to ASSIGNEE.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable executed consideration, the full receipt and sufficiency of all of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, I, the undersigned ASSIGNOR, hereby agree to sell, assign, transfer and convey and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the above-named ASSIGNEE, the whole and entire right, title and interest

in and to said inventions as described in the above application for Letters Patent, for the territory of the United States and its possessions and territories and all foreign countries, and

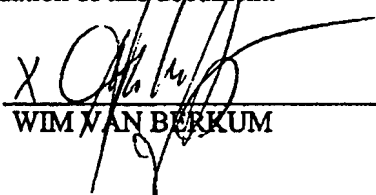
in and to the above application for Letters Patent, including continuing and/or divisional applications therefor, any provisional applications identified in the above application, and any and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted on said application(s) including reissues and reexaminations, and all foreign Letters Patent which may be granted on said invention, including reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of such Letters Patent;

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I HEREBY authorize the above-mentioned Assignee or its legal representative to insert in the instrument the filing date and/or serial number of our aforesaid application or any other information that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

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WIM VAN BERKUM

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